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SUBJ: ENERGY: NEB OIL REPORT

1. MONTREAL GAZETTE OF NOVEMBER 6 REPORTS THAT SENIOR GOVERNMENT SOURCES HAVE STATED THAT THE NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD (NEB) OIL REPORT RECOMMENDS A ONE-THIRD CUT (TO ABOUT 500,000 B/D) IN OIL EXPORTS TO THE U.S. COMMENCING JANUARY 1.

2. GAZETTE ARTICLE STATES THAT THE NEB REPORT WILL BE A TOP ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR EMR MINISTER GILLESPIE'S WASHINGTON VISIT AND IS SCHEDULED TO GO BEFORE THE CABINET FOR APPROVAL BEFORE BEING MADE PUBLIC IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS. ARTICLE ALSO STATES THAT "GILLESPIE, HOWEVER, HAS LEFT THE DOOR OPEN FOR THE CABINET TO MAKE CHANGES IN THE EXPORT LEVEL AFTER TALKING WITH U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS."

3. ASKED WHETHER HE WAS GOING TO CONSULT WITH THE AMERICANS ON THE PROPOSED NEB EXPORT LEVEL CHANGES OR MERELY ADVISE THEM, GILLESPIE IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS: "LET'S JUST SAY I'M GOING TO TALK WITH THEM, TO EXPLAIN THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE CUTS FOR CANADA."

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